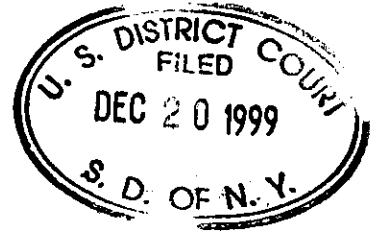


UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK



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In the Matter of:

DESIGNATION OF

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OF THE BANKRUPTCY COURT  
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ORDER

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Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. Section 154(b) of the Bankruptcy Amendments and Federal Judgeship Act of 1984 (P.L. 98-353; 98 Stat. 333), which provides for the designation of a chief judge of the Bankruptcy Court by the District Court,

It is ORDERED that Bankruptcy Judge Stuart M. Bernstein be and hereby is designated as the Chief Bankruptcy Judge of the Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York for a term of five years effective February 1, 2000.

SO ORDERED.

THOMAS P. GRIESA  
CHIEF JUDGE

Dated: New York, New York  
December 16, 1999